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For: **VINYL-CIS-POLYBUTADIENE RUBBER
AND BUTADIENE RUBBER
COMPOSITION USING THE SAME**

Examiner: Nathan M. Nutter

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS) UNDER 37
CFR § 1.97 (d) and (e)**

This is an Information Disclosure Statement including a Chinese Office Action with an English translation (copies enclosed) dated November 6, 2009, from the Chinese Patent Office in Chinese Application No. 200580043921.5. Also, the reference D1 (cited in the Chinese Office Action) was previously submitted to the USPTO with the IDS of June 6, 2006 and the reference D2 (cited in the Chinese Office Action) was previously submitted to the USPTO with the IDS of July 2, 2009, and therefore D1 and D2 are not being submitted herewith.

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The attached Chinese Office Action is being submitted herewith for the Examiner's consideration and to be placed on record in the present application. It is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement, and the Chinese Office Action, be considered by the Examiner in connection with the above-identified patent application.

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